IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Revision No. 2187 of 2002
Date of Decision : 21.10.2009.

Ram Bilas

..... Petitioner

Versus

U.T. Chandigarh .....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAWAB SINGH

Present: Mr. Baldev Singh, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Sudhir Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Hemant Bassi, Advocate for U.T.

NAWAB SINGH J.

This revision is directed against the judgment dated October 16th, 2002 passed by Additional Sessions Judge, Chandigarh, whereby, the judgment of conviction and order of sentence dated July 22nd, 1995 of Judicial Magistrate First Class, Chandigarh was upheld and the petitioner was sentenced as under

Offence	Sentence	Fine	In default
u/S 467 IPC	RI for 2 years	Rs.500/-	--
u/S 474 IPC	RI for 2 years	Rs.500/-	1 month

Both the sentences were ordered to run concurrently.

2. The facts are not necessary to be referred to as the learned counsel for the petitioner has not challenged the conviction of the petitioner on merits but has only prayed for reduction of sentence. He has submitted that the petitioner is the only bread earner of the family and has faced the agony of protracted trial for a long period of 24 years. He has lost his job on account of his conviction. He is now in his 60s. Keeping in view the aforesaid mitigating circumstances, the sentence imposed upon the revisionist be reduced to the one already undergone by him.

3. In view of this, the sentence of the petitioner is reduced to the period already undergone by him. The revision is accepted partly as indicated above. However, sentence of fine shall remain intact.

4. Disposed of.

(NAWAB SINGH)
JUDGE

21.10.2009.
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